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- 1: Transmittal;
- 2. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and 13 of the 20 Cited References; and
- 3. Return Postcard.

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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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# Section 1: Preliminary Statements:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(B), enclosed is Form PTO-1449 listing references that are known to applicant. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2) and the <u>Official Gazette</u> Notice entitled "Information Disclosure Statement May Now Be Filed Without Copies of U.S. Patents and Published Application in Patent Applications filed after June 30, 2003" (August 5, 2003), only copies of references other than U.S. patents and U.S. published applications are enclosed herewith. This filing is made during the period described in 37 CFR § 1.97(b)(4); therefore, no fee is included.

Many of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in Office Actions issued for co-pending patent applications that are commonly assigned to the assignees of the above-referenced U.S. patent application. Also listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 are Office Actions issued for co-pending patent applications that are commonly assigned to the assignees of the above-referenced U.S. patent application.

While this Information Disclosure Statement, and the references and documents cited in the enclosed Form PTO-1449 may be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.56, submission of this Information Disclosure Statement and citation of the references and documents listed in the enclosed Forms PTO-1449 are not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to herein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references and documents be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of Form PTO-1449 be entered in the application file and returned to Applicant with the next communication from the office in accordance with MPEP §609.

Section 2. FORM 1449

A list of patents and publications is set forth on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

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